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Title: IMPLANTATION SYSTEM FOR IMPLANTATION OF A HEART
VALVE PROSTHESIS**Mail Stop AF**

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 27, 2004

Dear Sir:

In response to an Office Action dated April 27, 2004, issued in connection with the above-identified application, please enter and consider the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.